

SOIL CONSERVATION DIVISION[27]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 161A.71(3)“a,” the Division of Soil Conservation hereby amends Chapter 11, “Conservation Practices Revolving Loan Fund,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendments conform the rules to statutory changes made in 2013 Iowa Acts, House File 458, effective July 1, 2013. The amendments remove the prohibition against funding a conservation practice by using both a conservation practices loan and cost share funds. The amendments also increase the maximum amount that can be loaned from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 0689C** on April 17, 2013. No comments were received from the public. These amendments are identical to the amendments published under Notice of Intended Action.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no adverse impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement 2013 Iowa Acts, House File 458, section 1.

These amendments will become effective July 31, 2013.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 11.23(3) as follows:

11.23(3) *Use of the loan.* Loan funds shall be used only to pay the total eligible cost of installing permanent soil and water conservation practices listed in 27—subrule 10.82(2) of the Iowa financial incentive program for soil erosion control. District commissioners may designate which soil and water conservation practices will be eligible for loans in their district. The selected practices must be from the state-approved practices contained in rule 27—10.82(161A). The general conditions contained in rule 27—10.81(161A) and the specifications contained in rule 27—10.84(161A) shall apply to the district-designated practices. Revolving loan funds and public cost-sharing funds ~~shall not~~ may be used in combination for funding a particular soil and water conservation practice.

ITEM 2. Amend subrules 11.27(2) and 11.27(3) as follows:

11.27(2) *Maximum loan.* The maximum loan that a landowner may receive in one year pursuant to this program shall not exceed ~~\$10,000~~ \$20,000.

11.27(3) *Number of loans.* There will be no limit to the number of loans an applicant can receive, except that an applicant shall be eligible for no more than ~~\$10,000~~ \$20,000 in loans outstanding at any time under this program. Each approved application will be handled as a new loan.

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